

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY Detrick Center for Training and Education Excellence Fort Detrick, MD

<u>Course Title</u>: Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

Dates/Hour/Location: 5-6 October 2004: 0830-1630, at the
Fort Detrick Education and Training Center, Bldg 1520, CR#1

Course length: 14 Hours (two days)

Registration Deadline: 17 September

Cost: No Cost to Individual

<u>Vendor/Address</u>: LivingWorks Education Inc., Calgary, AB, Canada.

Course Overview: ASIST Helps Prepare Caregivers

ASIST is designed to help all caregivers become more comfortable, competent and confident when dealing with persons at risk. Suicide can be prevented through the actions of prepared caregivers.

Just as "CPR" skills make physical first aid possible, training in suicide intervention develops the skills used in suicide first aid. ASIST is a two-day intensive, interactive and practice-dominated course designed to help caregivers recognize and estimate risk, and learn how to intervene to prevent the immediate risk of suicide.

Target Audience: The workshop is for all caregivers (any person in a position of trust). This includes professionals, paraprofessionals and lay people. It is suitable for mental health professionals, nurses, physicians, teachers, counselors, youth workers, police and correctional staff, school support staff, clergy, and community volunteers. All Fort Detrick designated helping personnel (counselors [ACS, FAP, substance abuse, mental health, chaplains and chaplain assistants, trial defense, financial, etc.], healthcare, fire, and police personnel, IG), commanders, 1SGs, SGMs, supervisors, both civilian and military officers and enlisted, are encouraged to attend.

Course Manager: Tel. 301-619-7554/3360, Fax 301-619-2884 or E-Mail: USAGDCTEE@DET.AMEDD.ARMY.MIL

How to Nominate and Apply: FAX DD Form 1556 to DCTEE (301-619-2884 or DSN 343-2884) or mail to bldg 1520 by the registration deadline. Make sure Blocks 17,19, 23, 25, 32, 33, and 34 are properly completed. Include nominee's email address and Training Coordinator's phone number and email address in Block 18. Training coordinators must add billing information in blocks 27 and 37. Do not attend unless you have received confirmation from the course manager. Although we try to accommodate all training needs, faxing a nomination to us does not guarantee a space allocation. Check with your activity Training Coordinator if you have not received confirmation two-four weeks prior to the class starting date.

NOTES:

This is an intensive interactive workshop that requires full attention and participation. In order to put their full effort in mastering suicide intervention skills, individuals should plan no other work during the workshop. Individuals who require special services or accommodations due to a disability should advise this office immediately (wheelchair access, interpreter, etc).